

Malden Historic District
(4300 Malden Drive)
Malden
Kanawha County
West Virginia

HABS No. WV-210-11

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDING SURVEY

MADLEN HISTORIC DISTRICT, 4300 Malden Drive

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Location: 4300 Malden Drive, Malden, Kanawha County, West Virginia
(Within the boundaries of the Malden Historic District)

Present Owner: Dennis Pennington, c/o Penn Electric Co., Inc., 5208
MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., Charleston, West Virginia.

Present Occupant: Various tenants

Present Use: Commercial/office and residential space

Significance: This very new building does not contribute to the historic
ambiance of Malden but is nevertheless a part of the
street-scape which forms the present-day
commercial/residential aspect of the community.

PART I. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. Architectural character: This modern two-story flat-roofed painted concrete block commercial/residential structure violates the traditional character of Malden buildings and is considered intrusive in the historic district.
2. Condition of fabric: This very new building is well maintained.

B. Description of Exterior:

1. Over-all dimensions: This building is approximately 47'-4" in width and 100'-10" in depth. The ell-shaped structure has two floors, the upper being primarily residential while the lower is commercial/office space.
2. Wall construction, finish and color: Walls are of concrete block painted white on the east and south but yellow and brown on the west and north. Triangular patterns are formed in brown and yellow painted areas by diagonals from grade to roof level on portions of the west and north walls. Door colors on these same two walls are red, green and brown.
3. Porches, stoops, bulkheads, etc.: A continuous metal-roofed balcony occurs at the second-floor level. It is approached from grade by a similarly-roofed metal stair. Emergency stairs from the second story occur on the east and south walls.

4. Openings:

- a. Doorways and doors: Doors on the first-floor level of the west wing are glazed aluminum-frame doors. Elsewhere doors are metal, most having single small glazed openings. A garage door occurs on the north side of the rear wing.
- b. Windows and shutters: Windows at the first-floor level are tall fixed panels framed with aluminum. Windows of the upper story are of the same type only on the extreme west wall and the west end of the north wall. Otherwise, windows are smaller aluminum-framed units consisting of two panels which slide past one another.

5. Roof: The roof is flat and free of overhangs.

- C. Site: The building faces west onto Malden Drive and north onto Cypress Drive, being separated from both by a paved parking area.

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PART II. PROJECT INFORMATION

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